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In re Application of

Group Art Unit: 3672

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS AND PROGRAM STORAGE DEVICE ADAPTED
FOR AUTOMATIC DRILL STRING DESIGN BASED ON WELLBORE GEOMETRY
AND TRAJECTORY REQUIREMENTS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

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Sir:

Prior to the first examination, Applicants request that the above-referenced application be
amended as shown below:

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS, please replace the first
paragraph with the following paragraph to add the serial numbers and filing dates of the related
applications:

This application is related to pending application serial number 10/802,507 filed
3/17/2004, corresponding to attorney docket number 94.0075; and is related to pending
application serial number 10/802,524 filed 3/17/2004, corresponding to attorney docket number

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